



April 2010

Message from the Head

“Team Healing” goes from strength to strength.....

Successful, enjoyable and productive are the three words which characterise our Spring Term.

We have enjoyed good fortune in the following areas:

- **Academic:** Designation as a ‘High Performing Specialist School’ by the Government’s Department for Children, Schools & Families (DCSF)
- **Sporting:** Winners of Football, Hockey & Basketball tournaments *
- **Citizenship:** Winners of a prestigious Enterprise challenge, sponsored by local business *
- **Community:** Pupils and staff in the PE Department raised almost £700 for ‘Sport Relief’ *
- **Recruitment:** Year 7 for September 2010 is full and heavily oversubscribed.

Thank you to our parents and supporters for your unstinting support, which is an integral part of our ongoing success.

Do have a ‘Happy Easter’

Mrs A Addison

* see article in Hotline



Engineering & Enterprise Challenge

On Tuesday 23rd March, eight year nine pupils represented Healing in an Engineering and Enterprise Challenge at the Grimsby Institute. It was quite a technical



challenge this year and pupils had to design and make a ‘conveyor’ and a ‘mine shaft lift’ to transport salt from a mine face to ground level. Congratulations to **Charlotte Simmons, George Cordery, James Lloyd, Luke Crofts, Joel Cu-**

lyer, Declan Genney, Phillip and Daniel Moseley.

They ended up as runners up in the competition and were pleased to receive individual trophies and certificates. George and James both won spot prizes for an excellent ‘Conveyor’ system and the whole group demonstrated outstanding team work throughout the challenge. They were the only group in the competition to design and make a conveyor and lift system that was 100% efficient!

Well done to all of you!

Mr D Holmes

News in Brief

School to Home Texting Service

We are very pleased to be able to inform parents that the School to Home Texting Service will commence on 4th May. Thank you to all parents who have replied to our recent correspondence regarding this initiative. If you wish to join this service and have not yet replied, please contact the school to request a copy of the letter and form for completion.

Pupil VLE Group

The school is seeking to establish a pupil group to assist in the development of some aspects of the planned new school Virtual Learning Environment and website. Details of the nature of the pupil role/s are still being developed and information will be shared with pupils as soon as possible.

Year 8 Pompeii Play

Year 8 Geography students have been learning about Pompeii and the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in AD79.

Geography teachers Mr Still and Mr McCrae performed a play about the

lives of a roman emperor, a centurion and an archaeologist. The students really enjoyed the lesson. Here is Mr Still in action.



Forthcoming Events

Monday 19th April - Staff Training Day

Tuesday 20th April - Term 5 begins

Wednesday 21st April - Yr7 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 27th April - ‘Support your child’s learning in Maths’ (pm)

Monday 3rd May - May Day

Monday 10th May - Yr10 exams start

Monday 17th May - Yr9 exams start

Monday 24th May - Y10 French trip

Friday 28th May - Term 5 ends

Year 8 Football

Well done to the Yr 8 boys football team who won the Grimsby and Cleethorpes District Cup, after winning a hard fought semi final against Tollbar last week. The boys were quietly confident going into the final. This confidence stayed with the team and they were run away winners: 9-1. Scorers were Scott Morris – 2, Scott Wilkinson -1, Harry Young – 2, Josh Venney – 2, Ashley Ward – 1, Jack Fidin - 1. The boys were a credit to the school in how they conducted themselves both on and off the pitch. Let's hope next season brings the same success!

Yrs 7 & 8 Hockey Tournaments

Well done to our hockey players who took part in the Grimsby & District Schools Outdoor Tournaments. In the Year 8 tournament, the Healing team again played very well as a team, both in attack and in defence. Louise Armitage again did a fabulous job in goal, not letting a single goal cross her line. With their continued effort and determination, the Year 8 team again won all their games, making them the tournament winners.

Healing entered two teams in the Year 7 tournament and all players performed very well. Harriet Nadin and Emily Howes both tried out in goal for the first time and they should both be congratulated on their great performances. The 'B' team worked well together and although they had some good attempts at goal they were unlucky not to score. The 'A' team were very strong from the start, working well as a team. The Healing 'A' team won all their games which made them overall winners of the tournament -what a great achievement!

Well done to all the girls who played in the tournaments -an excellent set of results.

Mrs E Brand

Basketball

The Yr11 Basketball team finish the season on a high after winning the Grimsby central league, Plate Competition. The Y9 basketball team travelled to Hull's Gemtec arena to represent N E Lincs in the Humberside cup. This was a very tough competition with a very high standard of basketball. The boys played some excellent basketball but drew their first and just lost their second game by 2 points before losing to the eventual winners. The boys gained a lot from the event and were excellent ambassadors for the school.

Enterprising students step up to the challenge!

Over 50 enterprising students from secondary schools across North East Lincolnshire took part in the big inc. enterprise challenge. The event, the first of its kind for inc. (part of e-factor), was delivered collaboratively with No Limits Education.

The top six teams, as judged by the panel, from Healing School, Oasis Academy Immingham, Havelock School, Lindsey School and Hereford School built their products, formed a business plan and marketed their products with a radio jingle and TV advert. Healing School developed an interactive model named "Skeletron" designed to help young children learn about the body and the benefits of a healthy lifestyle.



Healing won two awards:- They won the award for Best TV Advert They were also crowned overall winners for the whole competition! Also, each team had to vote for the member of that team that 'kept them going when the going got tough'. The Healing team

voted Jessica Billingham as their driving force.

The awards were presented at the Town Hall on Wednesday 24th March 2010 at a glittering Enterprise Oscars event. Next stop Hollywood?

Well done to Jessica Billingham, Hollie Birkett, Vanessa Catterall, Edward Darwent & William Peers.

Mr D Higgins

Sport Relief

In aid of Sport Relief, the PE department decided to organise the Sport Relief mile in the pupils' PE lessons. Pupils were told they could run it in fancy dress and a mile course was marked out on the school field. The pupils took to this fantastically and really did themselves proud with some excellent costumes and all pupils completed the mile. During lunchtime, the Y10 BTEC Sports Diploma group organised activities such as inflatable football and wheel chair races. In total we raised just under £700 pounds. Excellent effort by all. Well done!



Mr J Norman

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